## U.S. District Court Southern District of New York (Foley Square) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-11227-RWS

Natural Resources Defense Council et al v. United States

Environmental Protection Agency Assigned to: Judge Robert W. Sweet

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 12/03/2018 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
12/03/2018	1	COMPLAINT against United States Environmental Protection Agency. (Filing Fee \$ 400.00, Receipt Number ANYSDC-15994770)Document filed by Natural Resources Defense Council, Environmental Defense Fund. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Exhibit A – FOIA Request to EPA dated 2018.07.25, # 2 Exhibit Exhibit B – EPA letter dated 2018.08.21, # 3 Exhibit Exhibit C – Letter to EPA dated 2018.09.20)(Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/03/2018)
12/03/2018	2	FILING ERROR – DEFICIENT PLEADING – SUMMONS REQUEST PDF ERROR – REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS as to United States Environmental Protection Agency, re: 1 Complaint,. Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council. (Huffman, Peter) Modified on 12/4/2018 (pne). (Entered: 12/03/2018)
12/03/2018	<u>3</u>	CIVIL COVER SHEET filed. (Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/03/2018)
12/03/2018	<u>4</u>	RULE 7.1 CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. No Corporate Parent. Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense

		Council.(Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/03/2018)
12/03/2018	<u>5</u>	MOTION for Erin Murphy to Appear Pro Hac Vice . Filing fee \$ 200.00, receipt number ANYSDC-15994995. <b>Motion and supporting papers to be reviewed by Clerk's Office staff.</b> Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order Proposed Order for Admission Pro Hac Vice, # 2 Affidavit Affidavit in Support of Motion for Pro Hac Admission, # 3 Certificate of Good Standing)(Murphy, Erin) (Entered: 12/03/2018)
12/04/2018		>>>NOTICE REGARDING PRO HAC VICE MOTION. Regarding Document No. 5 MOTION for Erin Murphy to Appear Pro Hac Vice . Filing fee \$ 200.00, receipt number ANYSDC-15994995. Motion and supporting papers to be reviewed by Clerk's Office staff The document has been reviewed and there are no deficiencies. (ma) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018		CASE OPENING INITIAL ASSIGNMENT NOTICE: The above—entitled action is assigned to Judge Robert W. Sweet. Please download and review the Individual Practices of the assigned District Judge, located at <a href="http://nysd.uscourts.gov/judges/District">http://nysd.uscourts.gov/judges/District</a> . Attorneys are responsible for providing courtesy copies to judges where their Individual Practices require such. Please download and review the ECF Rules and Instructions, located at <a href="http://nysd.uscourts.gov/ecf">http://nysd.uscourts.gov/ecf</a> filing.php. (pne) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018		Magistrate Judge Debra C. Freeman is so designated. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73(b)(1) parties are notified that they may consent to proceed before a United States Magistrate Judge. Parties who wish to consent may access the necessary form at the following link: <a href="http://nysd.uscourts.gov/forms.php">http://nysd.uscourts.gov/forms.php</a> . (pne) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018		Case Designated ECF. (pne) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018		***NOTICE TO ATTORNEY REGARDING DEFICIENT REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS. Notice to Attorney Peter Daniel Huffman to RE-FILE Document No. 2 Request for Issuance of Summons. The filing is deficient for the following reason(s): caption entered on summons requests does not match pleading caption; defendant name error; do not use abbreviations. Re-file the document using the event type Request for Issuance of Summons found under the event list Service of Process – select the correct filer/filers – and attach the correct summons form PDF. (pne) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018	<u>6</u>	REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS as to United States Environmental Protection Agency, re: 1 Complaint, Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council. (Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018	7	ELECTRONIC SUMMONS ISSUED as to United States Environmental Protection Agency. (pne) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/17/2018	<u>8</u>	ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE granting 5 Motion for Erin Murphy to Appear Pro Hac Vice. (Signed by Judge Robert W. Sweet on 12/13/2018) (rro) (Entered: 12/17/2018)
12/27/2018	<u>18</u>	STANDING ORDER M10–468: The United States Attorney's Office shall notify the Court immediately upon the restoration of Department of Justice funding. (As further set forth in this Order.) (Signed by Judge Colleen McMahon on 12/27/2018) (jca) (Entered: 01/02/2019)
12/27/2018	<u>20</u>	STANDING ORDER M10–468: The United States Attorney's Office shall notify the Court immediately upon the restoration of Department of Justice funding. (As further set forth in this Order.) (Signed by Judge Colleen McMahon on 12/27/2018) (ne) (Entered: 01/07/2019)
12/27/2018		Case Stayed (ne) (Entered: 01/23/2019)
12/28/2018	9	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by Samuel Hilliard Dolinger on behalf of United States Environmental Protection Agency. (Dolinger, Samuel) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/28/2018	<u>10</u>	LETTER MOTION to Stay the case and to toll deadlines pending lapse in appropriations addressed to Judge Robert W. Sweet from Samuel Dolinger dated

		12/28/2018. Document filed by United States Environmental Protection Agency. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A – Standing Order)(Dolinger, Samuel) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/28/2018	<u>11</u>	LETTER addressed to Judge Robert W. Sweet from Samuel Dolinger dated 12/28/2018 re: correction to initial letter dated December 28, 2018. Document filed by United States Environmental Protection Agency.(Dolinger, Samuel) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/28/2018	<u>12</u>	MOTION to Expedite ., MOTION for Partial Summary Judgment .( Responses due by 1/11/2019) Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council. Return Date set for 1/16/2019 at 12:00 PM.(Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/28/2018	<u>13</u>	MEMORANDUM OF LAW in Support re: 12 MOTION to Expedite . MOTION for Partial Summary Judgment Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council. (Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/28/2018	<u>14</u>	NOTICE of Rule 56.1 Statement re: <u>12</u> MOTION to Expedite . MOTION for Partial Summary Judgment Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council. (Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/28/2018	<u>15</u>	DECLARATION of Peter Huffman in Support re: 12 MOTION to Expedite .  MOTION for Partial Summary Judgment Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit March 2018 Letter to EPA, # 2 Exhibit FOIA Submission Receipt, # 3 Exhibit EPA OMEGA Webpage, # 4 Exhibit OIRA Agenda Webpage, # 5 Exhibit OIRA Agenda – EPA Timetable)(Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/28/2018	<u>16</u>	LETTER addressed to Judge Robert W. Sweet from Plaintiffs dated 12/28/2018 re: Motion to Expedite. Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council.(Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
12/31/2018	<u>17</u>	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. United States Environmental Protection Agency served on 12/10/2018. Service was made by MAIL. Document filed by Natural Resources Defense Council; Environmental Defense Fund. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A – Service Receipt (EPA), # 2 Exhibit B – Service Receipt (AG), # 3 Exhibit C – Service Receipt (USAO))(Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 12/31/2018)
01/03/2019	<u>19</u>	ORDER granting 10 Letter Motion to Stay. The stay is granted. Upon the funding of the defendant and it's counsel, the parties will meet and confer on the schedule for resolution of all pending matters. So ordered. (Signed by Judge Robert W. Sweet on 1/3/2019) (rro) (Entered: 01/03/2019)
01/30/2019	<u>21</u>	PROPOSED SCHEDULING ORDER. Document filed by Natural Resources Defense Council. (Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 01/30/2019)
02/06/2019	22	STIPULATION AND SCHEDULING ORDER: NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and among the parties, and subject to approval of the Court, that the following schedule applies to pending matters in this action: Oral argument 2/20/2019. United States Environmental Protection Agency answer due 2/13/2019.(Responses due by 2/11/2019, Replies due by 2/15/2019.). So Ordered. (Signed by Judge Robert W. Sweet on 2/5/2019) (js) (Entered: 02/06/2019)
02/06/2019	<u>23</u>	MOTION to Amend/Correct 12 MOTION to Expedite . MOTION for Partial Summary Judgment Document filed by Environmental Defense Fund, Natural Resources Defense Council. Return Date set for 2/20/2019 at 12:00 PM.(Huffman, Peter) (Entered: 02/06/2019)